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TAGS: PFOR PLO XF JA

SUBJ: GOJ POSITION ON PLO OFFICE IN JAPAN

REF: TOKYO 4873

1. THE MAINICHI MAY 27 FRONTPAGED FOLLOWING REPORT: "A FOREIGN MINISTRY SOURCE CLARIFIED ON MAY 26 THAT AS A GENERAL PRINCIPLE, (JAPAN) PLANS TO APPROVE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A PLO (PALESTINE LIBERATION ORGANIZATION) OFFICE IN OUR COUNTRY, IN CASE THERE IS A REQUEST. THE PLO HAS HITHERTO NOT FORMALLY CONVEYED ITS DESIRE FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN OFFICE, BUT SOUNDING-OUT EFFORTS HAVE BEEN MADE UNOFFICIALLY. FROM THE STANDPOINT OF ADVANCING ITS DIPLOMACY TOWARD THE ARAB SIDE ONE STEP, THE GOVERNMENT HAS SOLIDIFIED ITS POLICY TO PERMIT THE PROPOSED ESTABLISHMENT OF AN OFFICE. HOWEVER, THE GOVERNMENT HAS NOT RECOGNIZED THE PLO AS A STATE, AND THEREFORE, IT WILL NOT GIVE ANY DIPLOMATIC

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PRIVILEGES, IN REGARD TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN OFFICE.

MOREOVER, IT REGARDS IT AS A CONDITION THAT ON THE OCCASION OF THEIR ENTRY INTO OUR COUNTRY, PERSONS CONCERNED SHOULD CARRY WITH THEM THE SAME PASSPORTS AS THOSE RECOGNIZED BY OUR COUNTRY TOWARD VARIOUS ARAB COUNTRIES. IT IS WORRIED, THEREFORE, THAT FURTHER 'DISSATISFACTION' MAY REMAIN ON THE PART OF THE PLO SIDE."

2. MIDDLE EAST AND AFRICAN AFFAIRS BUREAU DEPUTY DIRECTOR GENERAL MURATA COMMENTED TO EMBOFF THAT MAINICHI REPORT ESSENTIALLY CORRECT. STATEMENT SHOULD NOT, HOWEVER, BE TAKEN TO BE RESULT OF RECENT DECISION. RATHER JAPANESE POSITION STEMS FROM POLICY POSTURE ADOPTED SEVERAL WEEKS AGO AND JUST NOW CLARIFIED TO PRESS, MURATA CONCLUDED. HODGSON

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